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In re:

Applicant(s): ZIMMER, J.

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PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

August 13, 2004

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

The subject application became abandoned because a proposed reply was received on March 15, 2004 by the USPTO, but did not constitute a proper reply.

The document tendered on March 15, 2004 was a Request for Reconsideration.

However, on June 3, 2004, applicant caused to be filed a Request for Continued Examination, and applicant further paid a three month extension fee. These documents were faxed to the USPTO on June 3, 2004, and a copy of the documents as faxed to the USPTO, together with the fax report acknowledging receipt of the documents by the USPTO, is attached hereto.

AUG 2 4 2004 TC 1700 I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Perents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. 8 1 1 6 10 YOU

It is further noticed that a transmission by facsimile pursuant to 37 CFR 1.8 was utilized on June 3, 2004.

The Request for Continued Examination was filed in order to enable complete consideration of the Request for Reconsideration filed on March 15, 2004.

Accordingly, it is requested that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn and that the Examiner now be given an opportunity to fully consider the Request for Reconsideration filed on March 15, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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